



MARYLAND Department of Health

Maryland SHIP Health Action Newsletter

January 5, 2018

Event: Lamy Center Medication Safety Seminar



Image: Visitor holding a hospice patient's hand.

Thursday, January 11, 2018

The Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging and the Palliative Care Collaborative at the University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Pharmacy will host the seminar titled, "Pain in Older Adults and the End-of-Life: Opening Pandora's

Box." This seminar will examine methods and strategies to identify, monitor, and appropriately treat pain at the end of life. Proposed topics include:

- Opioid use and medication safety in older adults;
- Patient-centered pain management goals;
- The role of the interprofessional team; and,
- Non-pharmacologic and pharmacologic strategies for pain management.

Continuing education credits may be available.

For more information, click [here](#). Learn more about the Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging [here](#).

Webinar: How Public Health Can Improve Response to Emerging Threats



Image: Photo of an emergency kit.

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Boston University will host a webinar to showcase how public health can improve responses to emerging threats. This webinar will highlight lessons learned from global engagement projects by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Featured projects were designed to mitigate risk and build resilience in the face of public threats. Attendees of this webinar will learn more about their roles in public health responses to health crises, calamities, and chaos.

For more information on this webinar, click [here](#). To learn more about public health response in Maryland, visit the MDH Office of Preparedness and Response [here](#).

Workshop: Improving Health Research on Small Populations



Image: Illustration of diverse facial profiles.

Thursday - Friday, January 18 - 19, 2018

The size, dispersion, and/or accessibility of subpopulations make some communities difficult to include in research studies. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine will host a one and a half day public workshop to discuss issues of conducting research on small, underrepresented populations in health research. Specifically, this workshop will address approaches for identification, recruitment, and retention strategies for maximizing the sample sizes of small groups in intervention and research studies.

For more information about this workshop, click [here](#). Learn how Maryland is working towards health equity by visiting the MDH Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities (MHHD) MOTA webpage [here](#).

Event: 2018 Health Equity Initiative Summit



Image: Illustration of multicolored hands raised.

Wednesday - Friday, January 10 - 12, 2018

The Health Equity Initiative (HEI) is a non-profit organization dedicated to build and sustain a global community to advance health equity. HEI will host the 2018 Summit titled, "Engaging New Allies in the Health Equity Movement: A Partnership Summit." This

event aims to inform and engage a multidisciplinary audience through innovation think tanks and case studies on the determinants of health. Participants in the Summit will:

- Acquire skills and training to engage new allies in the health equity movement;
- Contribute to establishing a path forward on key priorities in health equity; and,
- Learn community-driven leadership and solutions to support health equity.

To register for this conference, click [here](#). Learn more about health equity in Maryland by visiting the MHHD webpage [here](#).

Call for Abstracts: 2018 Telehealth Summit



Image: Illustration of a person looking at a health chart on a tablet.

Friday, January 26, 2018

The Mid-Atlantic Telehealth Resource Center (MATRC) invites you to submit an abstract for poster presentations at the MATRC 2018 Annual Telehealth Summit. This year's theme is "Telehealth on Trial." This event aims to engage the audience to think differently about emerging risks and risk management in an age where technology and innovation create new models for care delivery. The Summit will be held in April. Submit your abstract by January 26, 2018. Broad abstract categories include:

- Access to care;
- Financial impact and cost;
- Experience; and,
- Effectiveness.

Early bird registration rates are available through January 19, 2018.

To submit an abstract, click [here](#). For more information about the Summit, click [here](#).

Event: National Association of Counties Legislative Conference



Image: The 2018 National Association of Counties Legislative Conference logo.

Saturday - Wednesday, March 3 - 7, 2018

The National Association of Counties will host the 2018 Legislative Conference to engage elected and appointed county officials to focus on federal policy issues that impact counties and their residents. In Maryland, Local Health Improvement

Coalitions (LHICs) equip local jurisdictions to determine their public health priorities. LHICs also address specific public health issues through programs, policies, and coordinated efforts with programmatic, data, and infrastructure support from the state and county. This conference offers a unique opportunity to elevate the county voice at the national level, including the voices of stakeholders served by LHICs.

The early bird registration rate is available until January 19, 2018.

To register for this conference, click [here](#). Learn more about local-level public health initiatives in Maryland by visiting the LHICs webpage [here](#). The following video highlights the critical role counties play in public health.



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